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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 18 December 2001.
 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1 is/are pending in the application.
 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
 6) Claim(s) 1 is/are rejected.
 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
 10) The drawing(s) filed on 18 December 2001 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
| 3) <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____ | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claim 1 has been examined.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. **Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b)** as being anticipated by Dolan et al. (US 5,604,801), hereafter Dolan.

Dolan discloses a method of signing digital data, comprising the steps of:

subjecting the data (message MSG) to be signed to a message digest function to produce a digest of the data to be signed (col. 6, lines 2-5 and 59-60);
transmitting the message digest to a small, mobile transaction device (smart card 120) which contains a secret key and a user's PIN code (Fig. 5; col. 6, lines 51-56);
determining whether a user's PIN code is correct and, if it is, hashing the digest as a function of said secret key (col. 6, lines 8-10 and 6-63; col. 7, lines 30-32);
returning the transformed message digest to a service provider (Fig. 1; col. 6, lines 63-65);
digesting and hashing the original data at the service provider using the same message digest function and secret key; and determining whether the hashed message digest at the service provider matches the hashed message digest received from the transaction device (Fig. 2; col. 6, lines 10-15).

Double Patenting

3. Claim 1 is rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 6,616,035. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because one of ordinary skill in the art would recognize that a PIN is equivalent to a user identification input, a message digest is equivalent to a challenge transaction identifier, and a hash of message digest using a secret key is equivalent to a cryptographic transformation of the transaction identifier using a secret key.

Conclusion

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

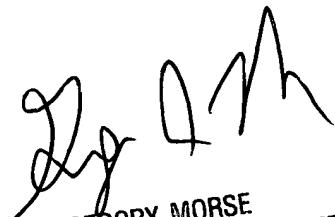
Kausik (US 6,170,058) discloses a method for verifying a transaction using a digital signature derived from a secret key stored on a smart card.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John Elmore whose telephone number is 571-272-4224. The examiner can normally be reached on M 10-8, T-Th 9-7.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Greg Morse can be reached on 571-272-3838. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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